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A MONUMENTAL VICTORY



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Katie Gangelhoff (number 1) and Kari Wolford (number 11), two UMD volleyball players, celebrate a point during their game on Tuesday, Sept. 27. UMD, ranked No. 4 nationally, played No. 5 Concordia St. Paul, beating them 3-1 in front of a record crowd of 1,267. Their next home game is Oct. 15, against St. Cloud State at 4 p.m. Related story on back page.

Calls raise I.D. theft concerns

By Keith Grauman
Statesman Staff Reporter

An identity theft scare that swept on-campus residences over the last month may turn out to be simple solicitation.

Five students have filed reports with UMD Police saying they gave away personal information such as Social Security numbers to a company called TeleServices Direct, according to Anne Peterson, the director of UMD Police.

There are no signs that any harm has come to students who gave out their information, but UMD Police are not yet absolutely sure what the lasting effects will be.

The calls, which were initially believed to be an identity theft scam, sent a wave of panic through the UMD administration, culminating in a mass e-mail that warned on-campus students to be careful

How to avoid identity theft:

- Review your credit report.
- Don't use passwords that could be easily traced back to you.
- Be careful what you throw away — shred important documents.
- Don't carry your Social Security card. Memorize the number.
- Pick up your new checks.
- Be wary of promotional offers that ask for personal information.

about giving personal information over the phone.

UMD Police are still looking into exactly what the callers' motives were.

TeleServices Direct is a telemarketing service that promotes different services to college students, such as the Clout Visa card. Peter-

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From abscesses to advocating, alumnus makes a difference

Statewide award goes to social work graduate

By Dayna Groom
Statesman Staff Reporter

Environmental conservationist and activist. World traveler. Peace-maker. Human rights activist. Life changer. UMD alumnus.

At the young age of 33, Erick Torch has done all of this and more. He has managed to touch the lives of people not just in the Duluth area, but around the world.

As a recent graduate of the UMD Masters of Social Work program, Torch immediately made his mark in the field. At their annual June

conference, he was named the Master of Social Work Student of the Year by the Minnesota Chapter of the National Association of Social Workers.

"I was very pleased that the department chair wanted to nominate me," said Torch. "It was a real nice way, I feel, to get rewarded for two years of an awful lot of hard work."

The award was given to Torch in recognition of the programs and work he had done for the Duluth community, as well as for his academic performance at UMD.

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Body of missing Moorhead student found in Red River

MOORHEAD (AP) — A body found Tuesday in the Red River was that of a missing Minnesota State University - Moorhead student, the student's mother confirmed.

Patrick Kycia, 19, of Stillwater, had been seen last in the early morning hours on Friday at a fraternity party.

Police said they found more than 5 ounces of hallucinogenic mushrooms in the fraternity house where Kycia was last seen alive, and they arrested a 19-year-old member on a drug charge.

Police stressed that the arrest was not directly related

to the death of Kycia.

There were no obvious signs of trauma, police Lt. Bob Larson said. The body was to be taken to Ramsey County for identification, but the clothing, physical description and items found in the man's pockets led police to believe it was Kycia.

Rose Foley, Kycia's mother, told the *Star Tribune* she was relieved that her son's body had been found. "That was our goal," she said.

Patrick's father, Julian Kycia said, "At this point, I'm not going to rest until I can find out what happened," he said.

One of Kycia's friends, Ricky Sayarath, said Kycia

drank a lot of whiskey at a Phi Sigma Kappa house party.

"Guys just kept giving him shots," said Sayarath, who was at the party. "He must have been pretty drunk."

Kycia's wallet — with cash and bank cards still in it — was found about three blocks south of the fraternity house. Police said Monday night that a shoe found in the Red River matches a description of the shoes Kycia was wearing when he went missing.

Two brief calls were made from Kycia's cell phone, but there was no talking.

Family and friends began to worry when Kycia missed work on Friday.

NEWS NOW

TOP DULUTH OFFICIAL FIRED

DULUTH (AP) — Mayor Herb Bergson said he was justified in firing the city's top employee Mark Winson, Monday.

The mayor said his decision had been provoked and Winson had been warned.

Winson was told to clear out his office by Tuesday.

Winson said he was not certain why he was fired. "I suppose there are some things he holds me accountable for that didn't get done," he said.

FUGITIVE UPDATE

By Kieren Sell
Statesman Staff Reporter

Shawn Wesley Walter Wolfe, the fugitive who prompted the posting of wanted posters in the Sports and Health Center, is still at large, according to The U.S. Federal Marshals Office.

UMD Police and Federal Marshals hung the posters in SPHC last week, alerting students that Wolfe was last seen in Duluth on Sept. 12 and has a history of entering athletic facilities and breaking into lockers.

Wolfe is listed as a registered sex offender on the Minnesota Department of Corrections Web site.

There has been no indication that Wolfe has been at UMD, but federal agents said that students should call 911 if Wolfe is seen on campus.

DELAY INDICTED IN FUNDRAISING SCANDAL

WASHINGTON (AP) — House Majority Leader Tom DeLay was indicted by a Texas grand jury Wednesday on a charge of conspiring to violate political fundraising laws.

A defiant DeLay denounced the democratic prosecutor who pursued the case as a "partisan fanatic."

Speaker Dennis Hastert named Missouri Rep. Roy Blunt to take over most of DeLay's leadership duties.

BODIES AWAIT IDENTIFICATION IN NEW ORLEANS

BATON ROUGE, La. (AP) — Hundreds of corpses from Hurricane Katrina await identification at a makeshift morgue, with only 32 bodies released to families for burial so far — a slow pace officials consider unavoidable.

Identifying the bodies through personal items, DNA, fingerprints, dental records, pacemakers or implants has been made difficult by the poor condition of corpses left for days or weeks in contaminated water, sludge and heat.

Louisiana's official death toll from Katrina rose to 896 on Wednesday.

FEMALE SUICIDE BOMBER KILLS 6

BAGHDAD (AP) — A woman disguised in a man's robe and headdress slipped into a line of army recruits Wednesday and detonated explosives strapped to her body, killing at least six recruits and wounding 35 — the first known suicide attack by a woman in Iraq's insurgency.

The attack in Tal Afar near the Syrian border appeared aimed at showing that militants could still strike in a town where U.S. and Iraqi offensives drove out insurgents only two weeks ago. A female suicide bomber may have been chosen because she could get through checkpoints — at which women are rarely searched — then don her disguise to join the line of men, Iraqi officials said.

Al-Qaida claimed responsibility for the attack in an Internet statement.

BRITAIN RESRICTS JUNK FOOD SALES

BRIGHTON, ENGLAND (AP) — The British government announced plans Wednesday to ban school cafeterias from serving poor-quality hamburgers and hot dogs, and to outlaw vending machines selling soft drinks, chocolate bars and potato chips to students.

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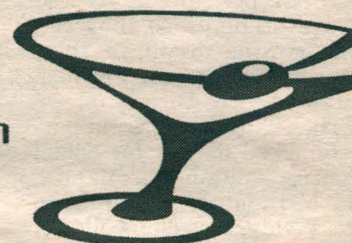
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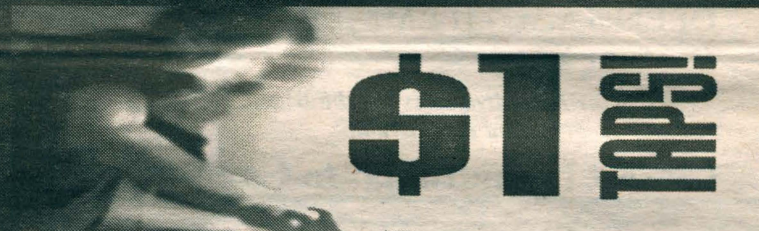
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CALLS

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son said there is a possibility that the students who gave out their information were signing up for this card.

"The Clout Visa is an introductory-type card marketed toward students so they can start getting credit in their name," said Steven Flechsig of TeleServices Direct.

The callers were apparently asked mainly for Social Security numbers, names, and birthdates, according to Eric Weldy, vice chancellor of Academic Support and Student Life.

"The nature of a Visa card is that it's a credit product," said Flechsig. "In order to verify that the person on the phone is who they claim to be, we need to ask them for their name, birth date and Social Security number."

From the responses to the mass e-mail, Pat Russell, UMD Housing office specialist, believes that about 20 students gave out their information. However, Paula Knudson, the director of First

Year Experience, said the number could be as high as 50.

"Sometimes people may be a little bit ashamed that they gave out that information," said Weldy. "But I would say it would probably be best to contact the police if you think you've been scammed."

He believes that freshmen may have been targeted due to their inexperience in dealing with their own finances.

"[It's important] to keep students informed and aware, especially first-year students because it's their first time being away from home, and they're a little bit more susceptible to certain scams," said Weldy.

"We would recommend that if somebody's calling you, don't give out personal information, unless you know who the caller is, or if you've requested the caller to contact you," said John Weiske, the director of UMD Housing.

UMD Housing has a strict policy forbidding door-to-door solicitation.

"The UMD Housing policy on solicitation deals only with our physical facilities," said

Weiske.

Technically phone solicitation isn't against any UMD policies, but Housing does not provide solicitors with any numbers for on-campus residences. Weiske believes that the callers obtained a copy of the campus directory.

"Anything that comes over the phone or on the computer is impossible for us to monitor," said Scott Sherin, assistant director of Housing.

Last year UMD had a problem with e-mail "phishing" scams. Phishing is when someone sends out e-mails that appear to be from banks or even government organizations, asking people to update or confirm their personal information, according to the Federal Trade Commission's Web site. The more they send out, the greater the chance that someone will take the bait and give up their personal information.

Weldy said that so far this year there haven't been many reports of phishing.

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IMMEDIATE STEPS TO TAKE IF PERSONAL INFORMATION IS STOLEN:

1. File a fraud alert — A fraud alert prevents any new bank accounts from being opened in your name. Contact any of these three consumer credit reporting companies:

- Equifax: 1-800-525-6285, www.equifax.com
- Experian: 1-888-397-3742, www.experian.com
- TransUnion: 1-800-680-7289, www.transunion.com

2. Close any account an identity thief may have access to — Contact your bank's fraud department immediately and notify them of the situation. If there have been any fraudulent charges on your account you will have to dispute them.

3. Report the theft to the police — Notifying the police may not necessarily bring the identity thief to justice, but filing a police report is a good way to make an official record of the crime and what exactly happened.

Information from the Federal Trade Commission's Web site, <http://www.consumer.gov/idtheft>.

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SA's \$2 taxi program hits speed bump

By Candace LaCosse
Statesman Staff Reporter

Local taxi companies have been slow to respond to UMD Student Association's \$2 taxi program.

The Bulldog Taxi Program, which would offer all UMD students a cab ride for a fare of only \$2, was supposed to be in effect by this week. However, the SA has tried to move forward on the project for the past four weeks and the taxi companies have failed to return necessary paperwork.

"We have a program to start, but no company to do it," said SA member Jake Hoffman.

Local taxi companies were sent a request for proposal (RFP), and twice have failed to return them with the necessary information to the SA by the deadline. The deadline for the last RFP was Friday, Sept. 23.

"We've called every cab company at least once and

asked them to fill out the RFP," said Jeni Kiewatt, director of the Bulldog Taxi Program.

The RFP must be completed before a contract can be drafted and signed by the taxi company. After signing, the taxi company would receive \$30,000 from the SA plus the \$2 cab fares from each student rider.

"The cab companies have definitely showed interest," said Kiewatt. "They're just not filling out the paperwork."

The SA will send the RFP to the cab companies for a third time and will contact them personally to try to encourage their participation.

For more information, contact the SA at umdsa@d.umn.edu or stop by the SA office at 110 Kirby Student Center.

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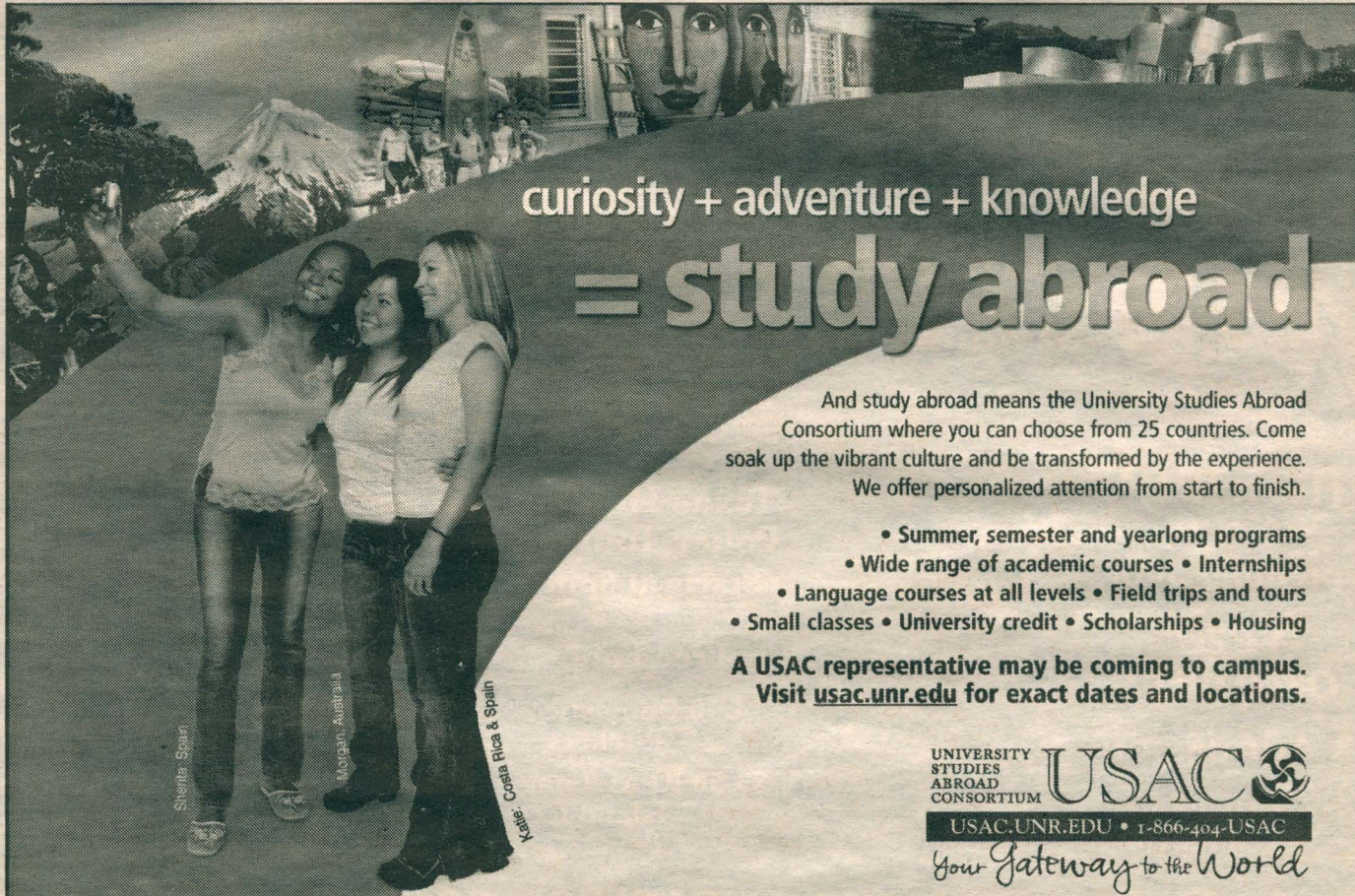
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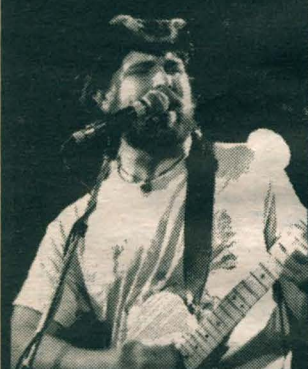
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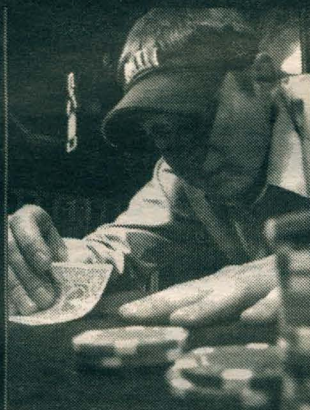
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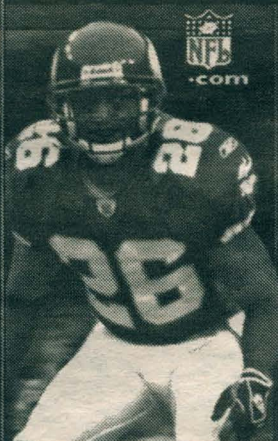
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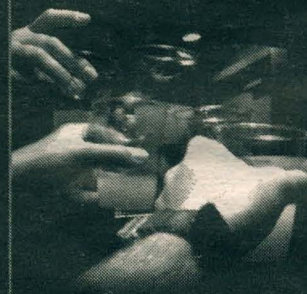
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Student Service fee supplies UMD with almost \$4 million

By Jaime Berglund
Statesman Staff Reporter

The Student Service fee, one of the many fees that UMD students pay in addition to their tuition, goes to fund non-academic areas that support an educational experience on campus.

This year, each UMD student was required to pay a Student Service fee of \$227.72, with the option to pay another \$7.37 for the Minnesota Public Interest Research Group and the Student Legislative Coalition. The total money UMD took in this year from these fees was \$3,757,624.

Just over \$60 of your \$227.72 goes to Health Services, which is the largest single portion given to any group on campus. Anyone who has paid the Student Service fee can use Health Services free of additional charges, but if you don't use it, you still have to pay.

Whether or not you play, about \$20 goes to intercollegiate sports. UMD estimates that around 90 percent of students participate in Recreational Sports Outdoor Programs, which might explain why RSOP receives \$38.11 of

your Student Service fee.

The Capital Improvement Reserve, which funds all major projects and new buildings on campus, gets \$25.

The Student Service fee also contains \$5.15 for the Kirby Program Board, which puts on concerts and special events for students.

Whether or not you ever pick up *The Statesman*, it's getting \$1.82 of your Student Service fee money.

The groups that receive money from the Student Service fee have to go through a three-tier process in order to receive funding.

Each group or organization must first prepare a presentation and a three-year budget and present it to the Student Service Fee Committee.

The committee then makes its recommendations and the requests go to Chancellor Martin for approval.

The Service Fee Committee has their first meeting Thursday, Sept. 29 at 4 p.m., in the Regents Room on the fifth floor of Darland. It is open to the public.

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- George Orwell

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Our View

Wake up

Civic engagement is necessary

This is the third *Statesman* of the year and we've received only two Letters to the Editor. The lack of letters in the first week is understandable while everyone gets used to the new school year. The reasoning in the following two weeks is a little confounding.

First off, this newspaper is far from perfect. Although the effort is there, we have made many mistakes. Call us out. We can take it and as a result you'll get a better paper.

Sure, we would appreciate constructive criticism. But more importantly, we desire stirring public debate.

Last week, for instance, one of our opinion writers did a piece on intelligent design, the view of creation by a higher power and contradictory to evolution. President Bush made this a hot issue with his push to have it taught in our schools. Fundamentally, not everyone can agree with Bush's views or those of our writer. But our inbox remains empty on the issue.

This is cause for concern on a larger level. As a newspaper, our foundation is informing the public. If the public gives us little feedback on our coverage then we have less direction.

Also, feedback and opinions from readers are increasingly important in today's world. America is in the middle of two wars, our Supreme Court has two vacancies, gas prices are outrageous and Hurricane Katrina exposed major weaknesses in our nation.

But these circumstances haven't changed our way of life. We continue to watch as American fatalities in Iraq pass the 1,900 mark. We disregard high gas prices and

continue to drive to the Twin Cities. We fail to understand the judicial nominee process and therefore ignore the entire thing.

If these key issues impacted our life more severely, say with a shortage of oil, only then, it seems, would citizens become engaged. Our current lifestyle is an artificial cocoon and we think it's cozy. So why would we leave?

The fact is that the cocoon isn't cozy. It's on the verge of busting and if we continue to abstain from the democratic process, we will be left out completely.

There are many issues to become involved in that directly affect us.

Did you know the U.S. State Department has considered placing GPS-like detectors on your passport?

Or that NASA wants to spend \$104 billion to return to the moon by 2018?

These are big issues dealing with our freedoms and our taxes. Are these stances all right with you?

If you agree with them, then back them. If not, fight them.

But if we sit back and take what the government is trying to give us, we lose our democratic right to choose. If we forfeit democracy, our world will eerily mirror George Orwell's book "1984," where government has complete control and brainwashes the public. We need to be heard.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

No one said you had to be left or right

Parties want a divide, so fight the mainstream

I'm not a libertarian. I'm not a green or an independent. I'm not even a democrat or a republican, but I am an American. And, contrary to the opinion article written two weeks ago, I do understand what the democratic and republican parties stand for. Quite simply, they stand for money, both their money and the corporate money that they represent. This is not to say all democrats and republicans stand for this, just their parties.

Personally, I don't care if those in office are democrats or republicans as long as they

find solutions to problems ailing our city, state and nation. So maybe you'd call my ideology solutionism. Or was it socialism? And I don't care if a politician is a liberal or a conservative as long as they seek resolutions that make sense. So maybe my ideology should be called resolutionary. Or was it revolutionary? Whatever. I digress.

The point is that if, as students, we want to find out where our political identities lie, we have to block out all the propaganda of the political parties and mainstream media. We must not simply align ourselves with a political party's platform, for these parties will only go as far as they must to stay in power. Politics is about political people not parties. Our political discourse should revolve around the people seeking

and/or holding the offices that represent us. We (not the corporations) have the right and obligation to unite and impose checks and balances on the powers of the three branches of government.

If I am pro-life and you are pro-choice, our respective political parties want us to be divided. If we are kept as adversaries, the fourth branch of government, the citizens, can never flex its political muscle. No one likes abortions, can we agree? Good, that's a start.

Chad McKenna
LSBE Senior

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"The true civilization is where every man gives to every other every right that he claims for himself."

-Robert G. Ingersoll

Sudan signs peace treaty, hope for future arises

By Laddie Messing
Statesman Staff Writer

Sudan, Africa's largest country, is home to the continent's longest civil war. The United Nations estimates over 2 million casualties and millions of refugees have resulted from the civil strife that has ravaged Sudan since President Omar al-Bashir took office and declared dictatorship in 1989.

For over 17 years, the government of Sudan has radically interpreted Islam to terrorize non-Muslim minorities and political opponents, particularly those living in the Darfur region of western Sudan. Those living in Darfur saw their villages and

crops destroyed, their water supplies poisoned and their people raped and murdered. The United Nations estimated 180,000 people have been killed in Darfur since 2003, while millions more have settled in refugee camps or emigrated to the neighboring country of Chad. Classified as genocide by the U.S. government one year ago, the horrific killing has yet to end.

However, strong opposition from the Sudanese People Liberation Movement with help from the Peace Culture Project of Sudan University has helped push the country in a new direction that will hopefully lead to stabilization and development. A peace treaty signed by President

Bashir and the late Sudanese Liberation leader John Garang on Jan. 9, 2005 has led to the joint confirmation of a new constitution, which was ratified in July. Though this historic commemoration cannot erase Sudan's troubled past, it will brighten the nation's future.

According to the BBC's Web site, thousands of troops patrol Sudan's capital city of Khartoum as the Sudanese People Liberation Movement (led by the country's Christian minority) and the ruling National Congress formed a government of national unity by implementing the new constitution. This constitution is a symbol for the hopeful perspective of civil stabi-

lization, social development and peace.

Part of the push for democracy was the Peace Culture Project of Sudan University. Founded in 2000 and funded by the United Nations Children's Fund, it includes student volunteers gifted in music, drama and art. They have traveled to places of conflict and used traditional songs and dance to persuade and teach communities how to resolve their differences.

Many resources will be needed for reconstruction, as more than one million people will depart refugee camps to return to villages that have been deprived of economic development, education and health and sanitation services.

However, the initial and most important step has been taken. The ratification of the new constitution shows the desire and commitment of the Sudanese people and government.

Most people are aware that Africa is home to the world's largest population of individuals infected with HIV/AIDS, and contains significant numbers of people suffering displacement, poverty and malnourishment.

Despite this, Africa is an extraordinary land rich in history and blessed with culture and tradition. I hope Sudan's peace treaty will help manifest these characteristics.

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John Roberts: a solid candidate for U.S. Supreme Court Justice

By Brian Cassidy
Statesman Staff Writer

Over the last few months, we have seen two big changes in the U.S. Supreme Court. Sandra Day O'Connor, the first female justice, retired; William Rehnquist, chief justice of the United States, lost his battle with thyroid cancer. These two justices need to be replaced and it is President Bush's job to nominate people to fill these voids. The only nomination that we have seen so far is Washington D.C. circuit judge John Roberts for Rehnquist's position.

The chief justice of the Supreme Court has a life-long tenure, which means that Roberts would have the job until he retires or dies. Even if the democrats come into control of both Congress and the presidency, he (a republican) will still be the leader of the judicial branch. This life-long tenure is the reason there is so much deliberation before his confirmation as Supreme Court justice, especially the chief justice. It is also the reason why many liberals do not want a conservative person in this crucial position.

Democrats have problems with Roberts, some saying that Roberts is a "divider"

rather than someone who will unite the Supreme Court.

Another issue brought against Roberts is that he has an outdated opinion of women in society. Assumptions have been made that he will oversee with an old fashioned idea regarding women's rights.

Despite many people's strong views against him, I am a firm believer in John Roberts. He is a pro-family, pro-life conservative that will represent strong moral values for a long time. Clearly, he is a judge who will strongly endorse and defend the constitution, rather than attempt to use his personal feelings towards current issues. Roberts is committed to the sanctity of life, both born and unborn, and marriage as an institution created by the Judeo-Christian God for one man and one woman.

No matter your ideology, it is important to know who John Roberts is, because he will likely become the next chief justice of the United States. If you are absolutely against Roberts' nomination, well, that's tough, because it's predicted he will be confirmed in a landslide.

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New U insurance increases student premium costs

By Kathleen Grigg
Statesman Staff Reporter

Students who have purchased their health insurance from Student Assurance through UMD will now have to pay nearly \$200 more per semester, due to a change in service providers.

Starting this year, UMD will share the University of Minnesota Twin Cities' health insurance policy, Boynton Health Services Student Health Benefit Plan (SHBP). UMD formerly subscribed to Student Assurance, but the contract expired this fall.

Vicki Schneider, UMD Health Services administrative director, estimated that about 10 percent of students at UMD use the university health insurance plan.

"The SHBP proposal was actually brought to Vice Chancellor Bruce Gildseth and myself," said Eric Weldy, associate vice chancellor of UMD Academic Support and Student Life. "We sat down with the Director of Health Services, Vicki Schneider, and basically weighed the pros and the cons," he said.

For undergraduates that subscribed to Student Assurance, the cost has risen from \$495 per semester to \$680 per semester with SHBP, according to Weldy.

All UMD students taking six or more credits and their dependants must have a health insurance plan, which the University of Minnesota has mandated since 1974. Students can

waive university healthcare by proving they are covered on another health insurance plan, such as their parents'. The transition from Student Assurance to SHBP affects only the students using the university's health coverage.

Kathy Morris, departmental director of UMD Health Services, believes the new plan is much more comprehensive.

"There have been two different philosophies about coverage of students," Morris said. "One is to just have a supplementary insurance that has a few basic coverages. The other is to have a really good insurance policy that can stand alone no matter what happens."

The university has chosen the second option, Morris said.

SHBP's lifetime maximum benefit is \$3 million instead of having per-illness limits. The old plan, Student Assurance, had a \$50,000 maximum lifetime benefit per illness.

"\$50,000 is a surgery and week in the hospital," Morris said.

Also, SHBP covers 80 percent of the cost of eligible medical expenses, and students pay a maximum of \$2,000 per year out-of-pocket; there are no deductibles.

Because SHBP is under the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota provider network, there are more places outside of the university that students can access.

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TORCH

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While in his master's program, Torch took on the role of social services program manager at Duluth's Domiano Center. The center is a human services organization that has been around for 23 years. It has a soup kitchen that serves about 86,000 meals per year, a free clothing exchange, social services and an after school Kid's Café food and nutrition program.

Recently, Torch was asked to take on the bigger job of associate director for the Domiano Center, a position he holds today. His duties include grant writing, public policy work and building management.

During the master's program, social work students are required to do a lot of work in the field. His major project and research involved trying to get dental care for people with low incomes.

"Often times people would come to us and they'd have an abscess or need an extraction, but couldn't find a dentist that was willing to take them," said Torch.

After completing his undergraduate at Northland College in Ashland, Wis., he decided to return to the East Coast, where he is originally from, to do some environmental education work.

From there he ended up going overseas, where he lived and worked in the Balkan states for three years. While there he volunteered with grassroots peace and human rights organizations. Toward the end of his stay he received a job with Catholic Relief Services, building programs for youth in Kosovo.

After his international travels, Torch returned to the United States and decided to get his master's degree. Along with his wife and 3-year-old daughter, Torch moved to Duluth and enrolled at UMD in the fall of 2003.

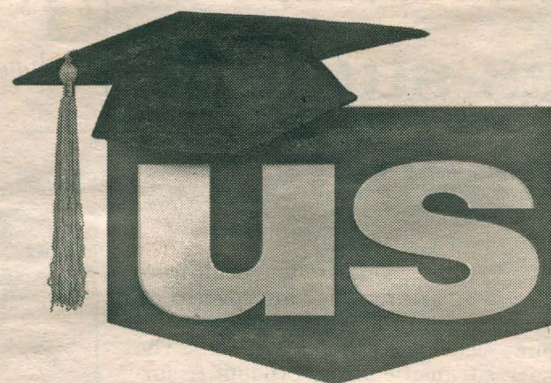
Advocating for the less fortunate can be an emotional burden, said Torch, but he's come up with ways to handle it.

"I've kind of learned how to leave it at work," he said. "Maybe it's easier when you have a 3-year-old at home to distract you. I think it's important for my own survival to leave it at the office when I go home."

He urges students to come down to the Domiano Center and volunteer.

Torch is currently working on programs for low-income housing, and a new catering service at the Domiano Center that will employ those who are in need of work.

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- Office decorations judged by student leaders (Noon)
- Battle of the Bands (sponsored by Late Night Kirby, 10 PM)
- Film: A Beautiful Mind @ 7 PM (Sponsored by Access for All)

Oct 6

- Halo Tournament in the Games Room (sponsored by Late Night Kirby, 10 PM)

Oct 7

- Hockey game (7:07)

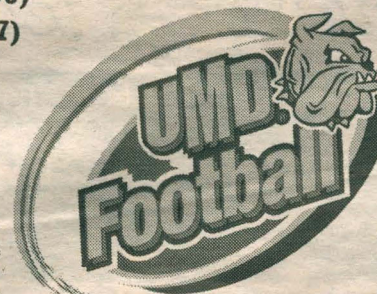
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Wisdom from behind the bar

An inside scoop from Duluth's bartenders on who drinks what

By Maddy Otto and Kieren Sell
Statesman Staff Reporters

The Duluth/Superior area is home to the second-largest number of bartenders in the nation, right behind Las Vegas. So what do these barkeeps think as hordes of college students come through their doors almost every single night of the week?

We asked some highly-trained eyes what types of people order what types of drinks, and the results were quite interesting.



DAC bartender Ryan Barg fills a pint for a thirsty customer.



Guys:

There's one thing for sure, you don't mess around with fruity drinks when you go out. You like your beer and you like it big. Jess Stanek, bartender at Old Chicago, said that she sees guys order the biggest beer possible, a 25-oz., manly Bud Light. Most other bartenders agreed that your love for beer prevails, even when there's a full bar available.

Girls:

If you're dressing to impress when you go out, most bartenders think they've got your drink order pegged.

At the Duluth Athletic Club, bartender Ryan Barg says you're going to order a Cosmopolitan or a martini. So, channel your inner Carrie from "Sex in the City," put on your skirts and high heels and be ready to pay big bucks to look sophisticated.

If you're headed to Grandma's Sports Garden dressed in your best, Adam Kritzeck, a bartender, says he can bet your going to order a Raspberry Ice Tea or a Sex on the Beach.

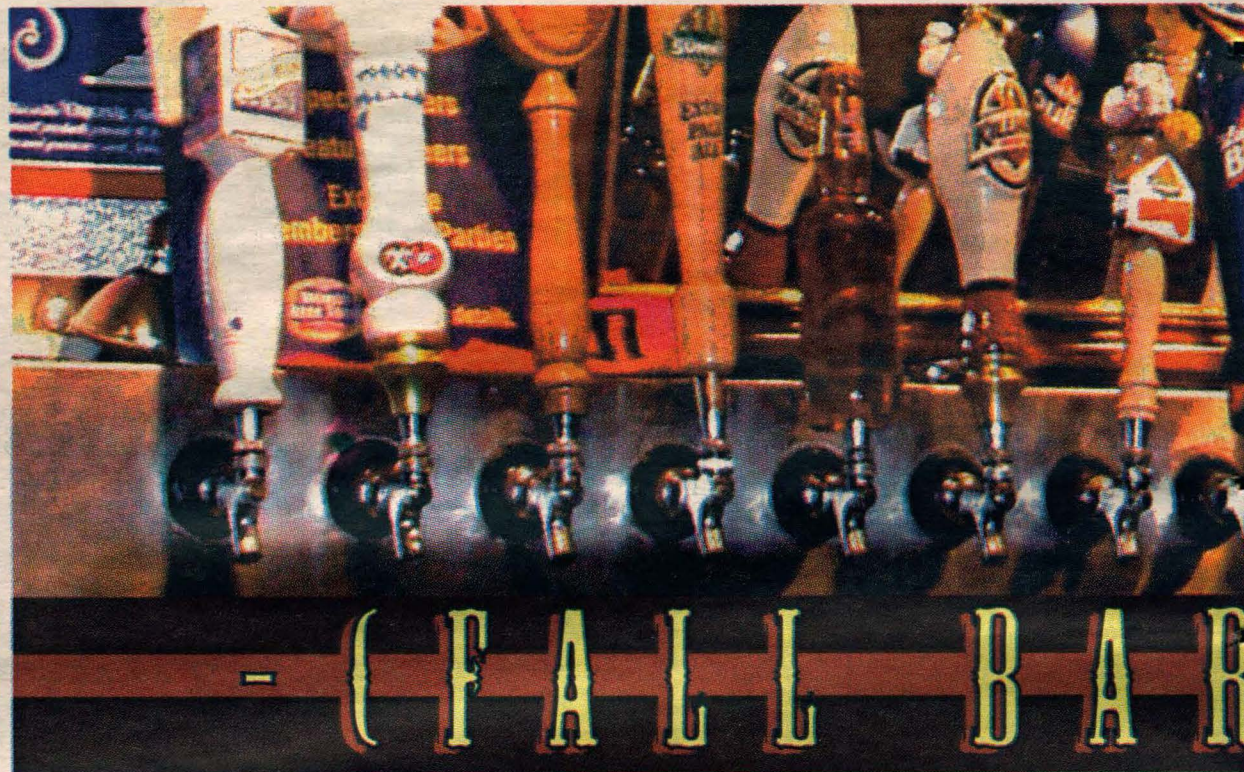
Miranda Pierce from Little Angie's Cantina says that if she sees a giggly girl, she knows she'll be making up a Strawberry Daiquiri. But don't worry ladies, she's seen some big guys order them, too.

Green Mill bartender Jackie Evans says that she gives credit to "Sex and the City" for girl's sudden spark of interest in martinis.

And at Old Chicago, if you're going to try a beer, Jess Stanek says that it's going to be the smallest Michelob Golden Draft Light possible. Otherwise, Sex on the Beach is also a popular choice, Stanek says, probably because they taste the least like alcohol.

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The Specials Breakdown

Duluth Athletic Club (DAC)
21 N. 4th Ave. W.
Monday night \$2 Captain drinks, \$1 beers
Thursday night \$1 beers
Most popular drinks: Domestic beers and Captain Cokes

Grandma's Sports Garden
425 S. Lake Ave.
Wednesday \$1 beers and \$4 pitchers of Long Islands or Kamikazes
Friday and Saturday \$1.50 beers and \$4 pitchers of Long Island or Kamikazes
Happy Hour — \$2 Tahitian Sunsets, Electric Blue lemonades and Raspberry lemonades, half-price drinks
Most popular drinks: Long Island Ice Teas

Little Angie's Cantina
11 E. Buchanan St.
Happy Hour — half-price drinks
Most popular drinks: Margaritas and daiquiris

Green Mill
340 S. Lake Ave.
Happy Hour — \$5 appetizers, \$1 off beer from 4-7 p.m.
\$5 appetizers, \$1 off beer, \$2 Long Islands and Captain Cokes from 10 p.m.-12 a.m., every day of the week
Most popular drinks: Long Islands, margaritas and beer

Old Chicago
327 S. Lake Ave.
Happy Hour — 16 oz. beers for the price of a 12, 25 oz. beers for the price of a 16 and half-price appetizers
Most popular drinks: Beer — they have 30 varieties on tap and 80 in a bottle

Sir Benedict's Tavern
805 E. Superior St.
Happy Hour — 16 oz. tap beers and rail drinks for \$2.50-16 oz. Beamish being \$3 and Coors Light being \$2 from 10 p.m.-1 a.m., 4-7 p.m. has the same drink specials and half-price appetizers, every day of the week
Most popular drinks: Tap beers

The Pioneer Bar
323 W. First St.
Happy Hour — 50 cents off drinks and beers from 4-7 p.m.

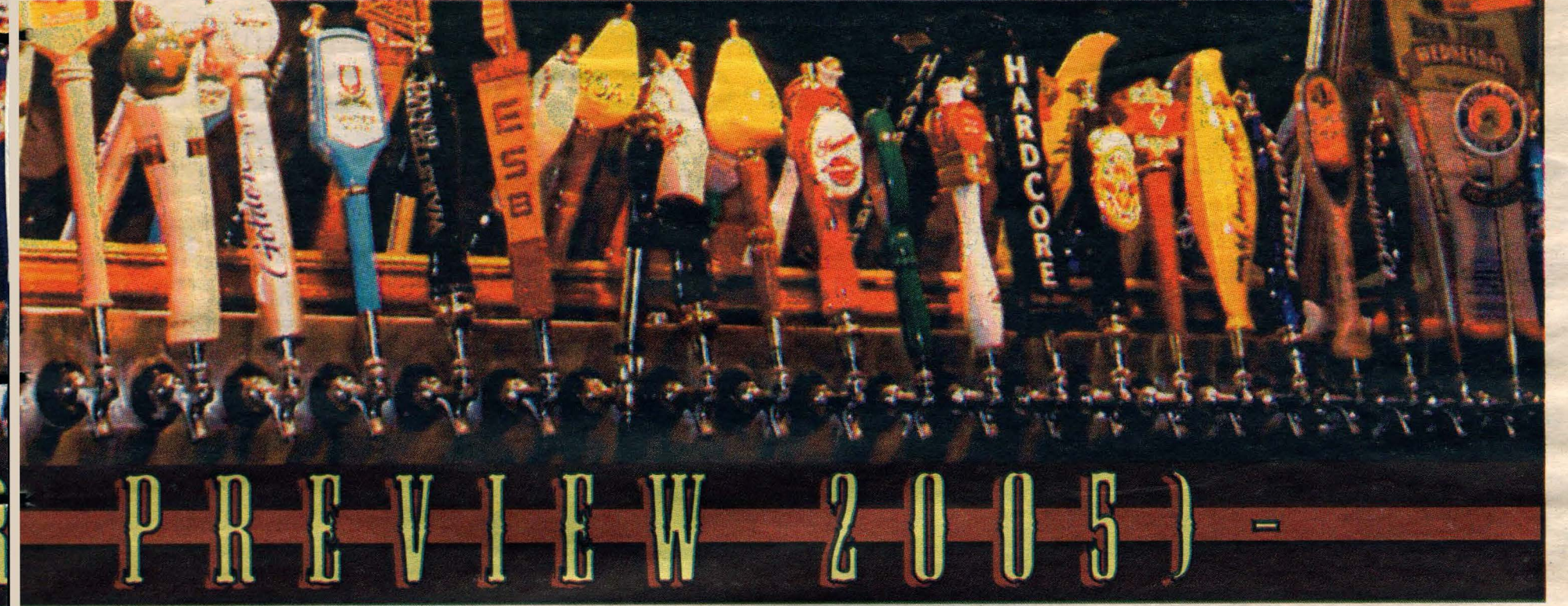
Fitger's Brewhouse and Grille
600 E. Superior St.
Happy Hour — \$2.50 pints and house wines from 3-5 p.m.
Most popular drinks: IPA and El Nino beers

The Red Star
600 E. Superior St.
Happy Hour — \$2.50 pints and \$1 off all rail drinks from 4-6 and 9-12 p.m.

R.T. Quinlan's Saloon
220 W. Superior St.
Happy Hour — 25 cents off drinks, 50 cents off mugs from 4-7 p.m.

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Duluth's relaxed local flavor

Canal Park isn't the only source of entertainment and drinks in Duluth

John Cranford
Statesman Staff Reporter

As the wintry winds howl along Lake Superior this fall, and trudging through the snow to the party of the weekend becomes a little harder, one might consider a cozy and a less noisy atmosphere.



Bartender Leah Biezuns pours a pint of Brewhouse IPA.

Duluth is home to over 50 restaurants and bars within the downtown area. Many bars are particularly popular with the college crowd, such as Grandma's Sports Garden and the Duluth Athletic Club. But there may be a few places you don't know about that also offer all the ingredients of a fun night.

To start with, Fitger's Brewhouse Brewery and Grille currently has 13

beers on tap, all brewed in-house, as well as nightly music and drink specials.

Bartender Leah Biezuns said that the home-brewed beer is the biggest draw for college students. "We also have live music," she said. "Thursday night is pitcher night, so there are a lot of college people down here, and the weekends are busy with all the music."

Besides featured artists on the weekends, every Wednesday local musician Charlie Parr plays the blues, and Alan Sparhawk plays Thursdays.

If you're up for a more hip, less Midwestern feel, walk across the hall from the Brewhouse and enter the newest trendy spot in Duluth, The Red Star. The name was derived from the Fitger's logo and The Red Star is full of swank, class and interesting lighting.



Just make sure to bring your wallet. The cheapest martini starts at seven bucks, and it is tough to spend your entire night there. But it's a different pace than most of the local bars. Most nights The Red Star features live disc jockeys, with an intimate dancing environment.

"It's an interesting group of people that come here, young and old," said Eric Wiitala, Red Star bouncer. "Thursday and Saturday definitely attract a younger group."

The bottom line with The Red Star: give it a chance, if you can afford it. Just a block down on Superior Street from Fitger's is one of the most popular pubs in Duluth, Sir Benedict's Tavern. Located right off the lake, it's the perfect Duluth pub. The local live music scene at Sir Benedict's is superb and they have free popcorn and a large selection of rare bottled beers.

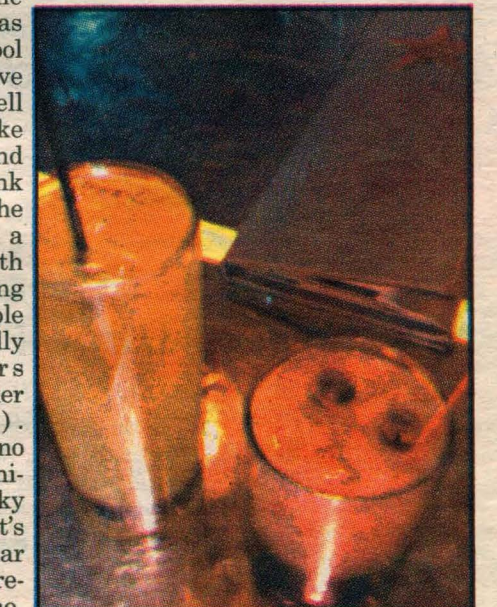
Speaking of free popcorn, there is plenty of it down on Michigan St. in the surprisingly popular R.T. Quinlan's. In addition

to two pool tables, darts and a great jukebox, they feature beers for \$3.50 (22 oz.), and \$8 Leinenkugel Red pitchers every night.

If you're interested in meeting some new faces, try the Pioneer Bar. At 323 W 1st St., it's just down the street from city hall and the Duluth News Tribune. The Pioneer has pulltabs, pool tables and live music, as well as a karaoke night and cheap drink specials. The Pioneer is a "real" Duluth bar (working class people with friendly bartenders and smoker friendly). There is no fancy furniture or swanky lighting; it's just a regular bar with a relaxed atmosphere.

These pubs might

The Red Star's drinks: The Waves Are Up and The Point



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Decorating dorms, cheap and easy

Simple tips on how to make your small space feel comfortable, more like home

By Heather Sirois
Statesman Staff Reporter

Walking into the not-so-spacious UMD dorm rooms for the first time may feel like stepping into a sparsely-furnished prison cell, but they can be easier to decorate than one might think. The best part is that it doesn't have to cost more than a few bucks to spice up your space.

To begin with, a rug is a necessity, not only to hide the lovely tile floors but also to keep your tootsies a bit warmer come the wintry weather of mid-October. Check places like Menards that have carpet remnants and see if there's a piece that covers the majority of the floor. If that fails, stores like Wal-Mart and Target will typically have a basic floor rug that is about 4 feet by 6 feet and only hides a small middle section of the

room. This can cost you anywhere from \$10 to \$30, where a scrap of carpet big enough to fit most of the room runs about \$49 at Menards. The

remnants are heavy-duty and stay put better than a smaller area rug.

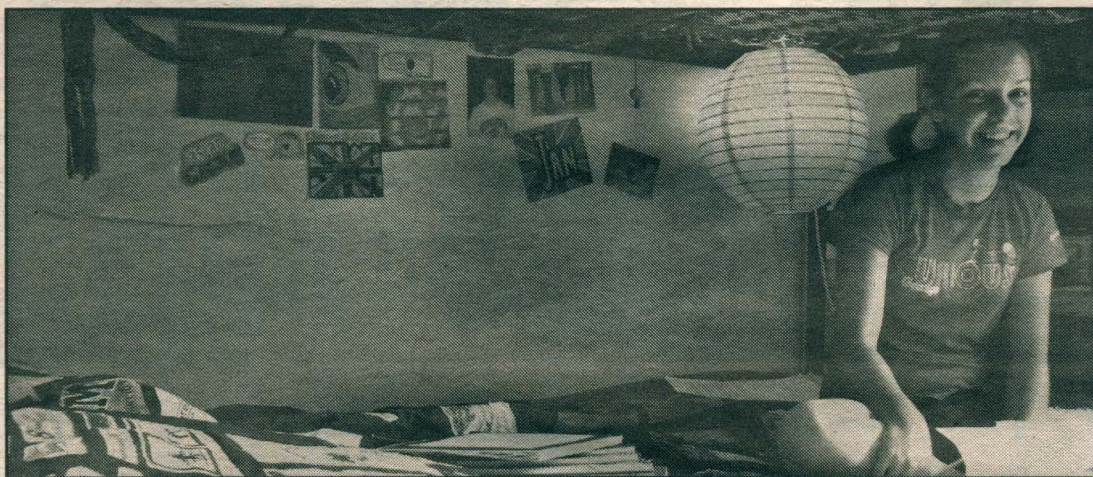
The next decorating tip is space saver. If your beds

aren't bunked, invest in some bed risers for about \$8 at Target. Or if cash poses a problem, concrete bricks from Home Depot will do the trick

too. These can be purchased for less than \$1. They'll free up under-the-bed space and give you the opportunity to hide belongings that might be an eyesore if they were to be shoved into the corner of the room. The more spacious your dorm room looks the more visually appealing it will be.

Once you've added a bit more space to your room, the rest of the decorating is obvious. It is a college student's prerogative to cover up the bland eggshell white of the walls. A poster that is going to cost you \$10 to \$15 is the most obvious choice but not the only one. Purchase a roll of butcher's paper and go crazy with markers, colored pencils, crayons or anything else that's colorful. Both roommates will have the opportunity to add their personal flair to the room.

DORMS to next page



ARTENA HIEBERT/STATESMAN

Emily Ender, a Burntside resident, sits on her bed that is covered with a quilt her mother made by hand for her. She is one of the many who decorate their rooms with personal touches from home.

The Grand Opening of the Rain Garden will begin at 11:30 a.m., Sept. 29, at 223 College Street. The celebration will feature tours and speeches by project managers, Chancellor Martin and Vice Chancellor Greg Fox. Refreshments will also be available.

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The little touches are just as important as the big ones, and sometimes the most fun to come up with.

Magnets do a lot for a plain fridge and come in an incredible variety from margaritas to ABC's to the classic magnetic poetry. They can be found at any store in town for usually less than \$5. Window clings add spice to both windows and mirrors. They average about \$3 a sheet, and the best place to find variety would be a craft store such as Michaels. There are clings for every holiday and some that are purely decorative.

Another little detail that can spice up the dorm room is glow-in-the-dark paraphernalia. The little stick-up glowing stars that everyone had on their ceiling as a child are still around and can add a little sparkle and night time atmosphere. These won't put a dent in your wallet either; they tend to be about \$6 at places like Michaels or the craft department at Wal-Mart.

A trip down to Goodwill can be great for finding unique pictures to hang on the walls, these come for a next to nothing price.

If you're in need of picture frames or kitchen-related items such as cups and bowls, look around before shelling out \$5 for a plain frame or a set of plastic cups from Wal-Mart. Explore the clearance racks at department stores such as Kohl's, Younkers, and J.C. Penny's. Department stores often offer coupons on top of sale prices. This allows an even better deal by putting discounts on the already inexpensive items.

The only thing better than creating an inviting space to live in for the next eight months is the fact that it can be done relatively inexpensively and can be changed around more often than you do your laundry.

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Comedy brings 'Corpse' to life

The mind behind 'Nightmare Before Christmas' returns with another success

By Mike Duberowski
Statesman Staff Reporter

Emily, the title character in Tim Burton's wonderful new animated film has an unusual problem: her left eye keeps popping out. This is rather disturbing to her new husband, **REVIEW** Victor Van Dort (voiced by Johnny Depp).

Fortunately, the Corpse Bride isn't the only one with this problem. Audience members will also find their eyes popping out at the breathtaking production values that Burton brings to "Corpse Bride," which opened last Friday.

"Corpse Bride" marks the second time that Burton has teamed up with Depp.

Earlier in the year, the duo brought us "Charlie and the Chocolate Factory," which I found disappointing and unoriginal. Fortunately, I can't say the same for "Corpse Bride," the first animated film I've seen that brings the departed to life.

The main character, however, is not deceased. Victor is a tall, slim man who is about to get married to Victoria (Emily Watson), a living beauty that he has only met once in his life.

The marriage was arranged by the couple's parents, who both feel they can

get something out of it. Victor's parents, Nell and William, are pleased that their awkward son is getting married at all. Victoria's parents, on the other hand, are fond of the fact that Nell and William are quite wealthy.

But is that a reason to get married? Although he likes her, Victor isn't comfortable around Victoria yet, and this leads to a rather embarrassing wedding rehearsal. When Victor stumbles over every word, Pastor Galswells demands that the marriage be postponed.

Ashamed and lonely, Victor wanders into the forest where he practices his wedding vows by placing the ring

on a twig. Much to Victor's surprise, the twig is actually the finger of Emily (better known as the Corpse Bride), who quickly accepts his proposal.

What follows is an exciting, witty and original adventure, filled with great one-liners and engaging musical numbers. Yet the real treat of "Corpse Bride" lies in its striking animation, which gives each character a unique beauty and personality.

Even the Corpse Bride has a strange attractiveness, with her baby blue skin and a small hole in her left cheek, which reveals her choppers.

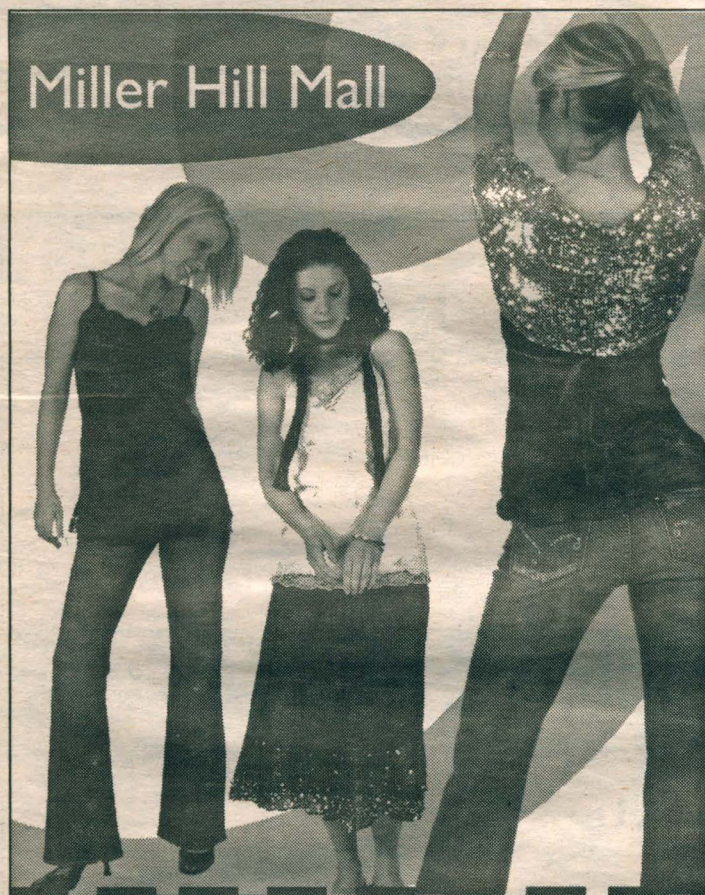
But the real beauty of the Corpse Bride lies within her

soul. Often deceased characters are portrayed as blood-thirsty zombies in cheap horror flicks. Here, the Corpse Bride reveals a heart, even though it is not beating.

This is just one of the many things that separates "Corpse Bride" from most modern movies. With its dead-on humor and unique story, "Corpse Bride" brings movies back to life by taking them six feet under.

Grade: A

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Good advice from a successful gecko

Geico's advertising genius speaks to students and faculty at the Tweed Museum

By Rachel Skelton
Statesman Staff Reporter

John Adams, Jr. can inspire you to buy almost anything, but he won't save you any money on car insurance.

On September 22, Adams, President and CEO of The Martin Agency, gave a lecture entitled "Creative Design and the Geico Campaign" in the Tweed museum.

Adams' lecture consisted of an extensive amount of insider information regarding the advertising profession.

Adams enthusiastically presented his success and experience in the cutthroat world of advertising to UMD students and professionals.

"Our conviction is to believe that every brand, every category at any given time has the opportunity for complete company-changing growth," Adams said.

While The Martin Agency has helped companies such as Mercedes-Benz, Quizno's Subs and Spike TV create startling new ad campaigns, Adams' presentation focused primarily on the highly-successful UPS and Geico campaigns.

For years, UPS struggled with their advertising because of the unusual corporate color they selected for their company — brown. With the help of Adams, UPS was able to embrace brown,

and the "What can Brown do for you?" campaign was launched. Since then, UPS has gone from a ground shipping company to an enabler of global commerce and has become four times as large as Federal Express.

"Today UPS is an amazing asset in the world," said Adams. "We have made brown something positive." UPS also sponsors NASCAR driver Dale Jarrett, who has been featured in a series of humorous commercials featuring the slogan "Race the truck, Dale."

Geico Auto Insurance was another company that desperately needed revamping in the advertising department.

"[We] had to introduce a new attitude," said Adams. "Car insurance advertisements are always so serious, so warm."

They developed three different mini-campaigns, including the funny, reality TV spoof commercial, "Tiny House."

"You see a lot of humor in ads today," said Adams. "Humor makes friends. You enjoy people who have a good sense of humor. It's an ice breaker and a great tool for advertising."

Adams shared a handful of humorous commercials during the presentation, including ads for Vanilla Coke, a "Look Who We Got Our Hanes

On Now" ad and an outrageous commercial for CBS in which a dedicated CSI writer takes a corpse home with him for inspiration.

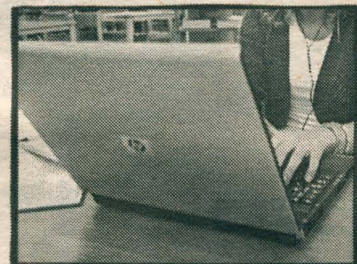
"This is a field that rewards broad education," Adams said.

He also warned that the business has a tendency to consume a person's life.

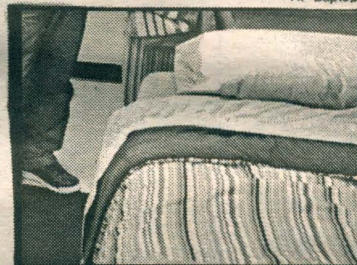
"[Don't] give the business your soul," Adams said. "This business loves addictive people and accepts every ounce of everything you can give it. You will have to put a limit on the adrenaline, the rush, the excitement, the competition."

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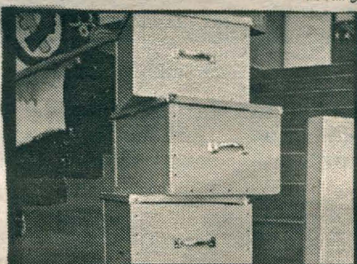
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- Steve Prefontaine

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JOEL NESS/ADVENTURE DULUTH

Spectators encourage wetsuit-clad swimmers as they run into the frigid waters of Lake Superior to begin the swimming leg of the Adventure Duluth endurance race.

Adventure Duluth: Not for the faint of heart

By Jonathan Tupper
Statesman Staff Writer

As the sun began to warm the air, modern-day voyageurs took to the frigid Lake Superior water, beginning their physical, mental and spiritual journeys through the Adventure Duluth course and toward personal satisfaction.

UMD Life Fitness/Wellness Coordinator Rod Raymond stood nearby, whooping and hollering encouragement to the voyageurs.

"To me it's not what you get out of the race that matters, it's who you become in the process of doing it," he said.

The fourth-annual Adventure Duluth race compiled six different outdoor endurance events, twisting and turning from Park Point to Jay Cooke State Park. The 44 teams that competed in the race were composed of as many as six voyageurs, one person for each event, to solo voyageurs doing every leg by themselves.

"I feel a great sense of accomplishment when it's done," said Scott Duffus, solo voyageur and Lutheran Pastor from Owatonna.

"[I race] because of the sense of camaraderie and personal accomplishment," said Alaina Pilate, a team voyageur, UMD graduate, fourth-time competitor and 1st grade teacher at Congdon Elemen-



DREW KATO/ADVENTURE DULUTH

A team of canoeists wrangle the Rescue Rapids during the 3.3 mile paddle on the St. Louis River.

tary School in Duluth.

Following a vibrant, focused sunrise that filled the horizon, voyageurs pulled on wetsuits, tiptoed into the 58 degree Lake Superior water at Park Point and determinedly set out for a 1-mile swim. After shedding their layer of neoprene, solo voyageurs sat down, grabbed a paddle and continued on for the 9-mile sea kayak underneath the Blatnik and Bong Bridges to Indian Point Campground, while others shoved teammates off and allowed their bodies to thaw.

By this time, the dark clouds that had loomed to the west all morning were overhead, and down came the rain — yet another obstacle to overcome.

At Indian Point Campground, participants hopped on their suspension-equipped mountain bikes and set out for a slippery, sloppy, muddy 16.3-mile loop. The bike journey included technical single-track sections in Spirit Mountain as well as easier road sections along Skyline and Old Skyline Drive. After the mountain bikers completed

their loop and made it to the Riverside Community Center in mud-spattered form, inline skaters set out for a 12-mile trek southwest along the Munger State Trail.

The Munger State Trail led the skaters close to the mouth of the St. Louis River, where canoeists portaged their boats to the water for a 3.3-mile flat-water/whitewater paddle.

Last year the St. Louis River was flowing at 1205 cubic feet per second (CFS) at the time of the race. This year, the river trickled at a

measly 475 CFS, exposing many more rocks and turning the whitewater paddle into a rock dodging obstacle course.

"The low water makes it challenging because you're always looking for a line of clear water to follow," said Pilate.

After the canoeists finished their journey, trail runners began the last 10.7 miles of the Adventure Duluth race. Runners had to choose one of three trails laid out through Jay Cooke State Park, all of which were very similar in elevation change and were within 3,000 meters of the same distance.

Of the 48 teams that entered this year's event, all but four made it to the finish line.

Team "Great River Energy" recorded the best time this year, clocking in at 6 hours, 27 minutes and 53 seconds. Due to the weather, their time was about a half an hour slower than last year's pace. The fastest solo time recorded this year was achieved by David Pipho, at 9 hours and 4 minutes.

To learn more about Adventure Duluth and see more results from this year's race, go to www.adventureduluth.com.

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Bulldog replica stolen

The football teams mascot for the last five seasons, "Bullie," was stolen out of the Field House on Saturday, Sept. 3, or Sunday, Sept. 4. Bullie is a life-size replica of a bulldog, painted gold with a spiked collar around his neck. If you have seen or do see him, please call 726-6841.

Disney recruiting session

The Walt Disney World College Program will be recruiting for their **PAID INTERNSHIP** at UWS on Monday, Oct. 3 in the Rothwell Student Center, Room 111 from 6 – 7 p.m. and from 12 – 1 p.m. on Tuesday, Oct. 4. To be considered as a candidate, attendance is mandatory. Also, bring a completed online application to the presentation which can be found at www.disneycollegeprogram.com. Opportunities for college credit, networking with Disney leaders and enhancing your marketability in today's job market are also available.

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Congrats to Bryan Halverson for getting last week's trivial
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Signs George W. is Back on the Bottle

By Tim Anderson
 Statesman Staff Writer

10. Bush daughters put to shame as their 59-year-old father drinks them under the table.
9. Tells aides that Osama bin Laden "isn't such a bad guy, just misunderstood." Invites him over to "pre-game."
8. Expresses sorrow for disastrous presidency. Later says it was the alcohol talking and promises to "stay the course."
7. Bumps and bruises on face can no longer be attributed to "falling off my bike."
6. \$2 billion in foreign aid to Amsterdam approved.
5. Meets war protestor Cindy Sheehan, only to make inappropriate sexual pass.
4. Declares war on "that one country with all them bearded folks."
3. Five hour work week increased to 10 hours per week in order to hunt down and destroy giant penguin he sees roaming White House halls.
2. Tells Kayne West, "It's not that I don't care about black people, I just don't like black people."
1. Gives incompetent administrators "Brownie" and Chertoff medals that are actually just filled with chocolate.

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WEIRD NEWS!



"Hungry Hungry Hobos"

By Eric Simon
 Statesman Staff Writer

At this point in my life, I am so sick of reality television that the only way I'll watch it is if I get to invent the shows myself. With this in mind, I bring you a Simon/ McCauslund (the guy who contributed his genius to the idea) production: "Hungry Hungry Hobos," a show in which six contestants from all over the alleys of America come to compete for a sandwich — a 12-inch sub — that would satisfy even the hungriest of hobos.

To introduce contestants, we will show their height, weight, years they've been homeless, how long it's been since they've eaten and how long it's been since they bathed. Then, let the games begin.

Round One: All six hobos will compete simultaneously, every man for himself. It will take place in a large hexagon-shaped room with a 7-foot-tall dumpster in the middle. Each hobo will be tethered to the wall with a bungee cord and will be given two minutes to dig through the dumpster and find as many cans as possible, only carrying one can at a time. Fist-fighting amongst the hobos is frowned upon, but the referees will do nothing to stop it (who wants

to get in the middle of two smelly, dueling hobos?). All the while, the hobos will be struggling against the bungee cords, which start stretching about 10 feet before the dumpster. The two contestants with the fewest number of cans are eliminated.

Round Two: The four remaining hobos will have 20 minutes to construct a house out of cardboard, one blue towel and seven feet of purple yarn. Contestants will be in the same room, but dividers will be put in place so the hobo's ideas remain original. Once complete, the houses will face the elements — rain, wind and a drunken passerby — until two of them fall. The two hobos whose houses remain standing will move on to the third and final round — only one step away from the sandwich.

Round Three: The final round is the Hobo Obstacle Course, which will be held in the street. Step one is to beg, using any tactic (such as holding signs that read "I am a war

veteran" or banging on buckets as if they were drums). Once they've earned \$2, the hobos must run into the television studio and clean three windshields — one covered in mud, one in soda and one with a bunch of bird shit on it. Lastly, the hobo must annoy a mall security guard and make the guard chase them for half a block. The hobo who can do this in the shortest amount of time gets the sandwich.

Bonus Round: If the winning hobo chooses, they can risk it all in the bonus round and turn their sub into a combo meal with chips, a drink and, heck, we'll even spring for a cookie. To win, the hobo must steal a watermelon from Patrick Swayze's watermelon farm because, good Lord, do I hate Patrick Swayze. Then, holding the melon, they must run across a busy street, then cross a river filled with logs and crocodiles without getting wet. Okay, so I totally ripped off "Frogger," and I am praying I don't get sued. If they win the bonus round, they get the combo meal and the melon is divided among the show's creators, producers and camera crew. Then, we all throw them at Patrick Swayze's windows and car. Screw you, Patrick. "Ghost" sucked.



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- Justin Sorensen

Ye Olde Poets' Corner



WEIRD, BUT TRUE NEWS!

PRISONERS' ORANGE UNDIES

Associated Press

VENTURA, Calif. — The Sheriff's Department came up with a bright idea to stop male inmates from leaving the jailhouse with county-issued underwear: socks, skivvies and shirts are now dyed orange. Some \$50,000 is spent each year for inmate underwear.

"We just keep losing horrendous amounts of that property," said Kathy Kemp, chief deputy of the Sheriff's Department's detention services division. The division's tight budget led to the orange undies plan.

"We think we'll be able to reduce the amount of clothes that inmates take with them," Cmdr. Brent Morris said.

About 1,400 male inmates will get orange undergarments.

Inmates who change from their jail jumpsuits to their street clothes will stand out in bright orange, and they'll have to hand over their drawers before they leave, the department said.

PUPPY EATS 13-INCH KNIFE

Associated Press

PLANTATION, Fla. — Jane Scarola's veterinarian thought the X-ray was a joke. He's seen strange items get into the stomachs of dogs before, but a 13-inch serrated knife that somehow was swallowed by a 6-month-old puppy?

"I was just flabbergasted," the vet, Jon-Paul Carew of Imperial Point Animal Hospital in Fort Lauderdale, told the *South Florida Sun-Sentinel*.

Elsie, a Saint Bernard puppy, apparently had the blade between her esophagus and stomach for about four days before it was removed earlier this week in a 2-hour operation.

The puppy has an 8-inch scar but is fine and back with her family. And the knife is back in Scarola's kitchen, albeit this time wrapped in a towel and placed in a cabinet atop the refrigerator.

"I'm going to frame it and give it to Dr. Carew," Scarola said. "He should hang it. Everybody should know what puppies are capable of putting down their throats."

MARIJUANA VIA MAGAZINES

Associated Press

AMSTERDAM — A Dutch magazine included an unusual freebie with its January 2005 issue — two marijuana seeds in a small plastic bag. *Nieuwe Revu* Editor in Chief Mark Koster said the move was a publicity stunt accompanying the Jan. 26 issue, which advocates legalizing marijuana and other banned substances.

Although Holland tolerates the sale of small amounts of marijuana and hashish in coffee shops, both are technically illegal and the government prosecutes possession of more than several grams.

"We're saying, stop the war on drugs, which costs a fortune and there are no results," Koster said.

Koster said prosecutors had not contacted the magazine about the stunt. But several major supermarket chains either removed the seeds or kept the issue off the shelves. Koster said the seeds were "OK" in quality.

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Football: UMD wins a wet one



The Bulldog Rundown



By Aaron Price
Statesman Staff Reporter

The UMD football team beat the Upper Iowa Peacocks last Saturday, 18-7, despite the cold and rainy weather. The running game was impaired and earned only 68 yards on 36 carries.

"We didn't play as well offensively last week, partially because of the weather," said assistant head coach Nate Gibbs.

UMD quarterback Ted Schlafke completed 19 of 35 passes for 254 yards and one interception. Sophomore wide receiver Vinny Flury had six receptions for 80 yards.

Wide receiver Greg Aker now has at least one catch in the past 16 games. Aker had 98 yards and five receptions this weekend.

"Aker has worked really hard and has continued to be a key offensive player for our team," said Gibbs.

Linebackers Nate Fears

and Cody Ahmann led the team defensively on Saturday with a combined total of 19 tackles.

"Our defense has been playing really well this year, and they really stepped up this weekend," said Gibbs.

The Bulldogs are now 4-1 for the fourth time since 1987. The team will begin their second year of NCC play next Saturday at Minnesota State University-Mankato.

Cross-country: Running Strong

The UMD men's and women's cross-country teams continued their success this weekend at the Roy Griak Invitational in Falcon Heights, Minn.

With 248 total points, the men placed seventh, behind two other NCC teams, MSU-Mankato and the University of South Dakota.

A total of 42 Division II and III schools took part in the 8-kilometer event.

Sophomores Eric Atkinson (18th place) and John Kallmeyn (33rd place) recorded times of 26:05 and 26:27 among 411 runners. Junior Brian Polski (26:28; 39th overall) and freshman Nathan Anderson (27:09; 68th overall) were also among UMD's top individual performers.

Junior Kristin Zinsmaster came in first for the women's team and 73rd overall among 279 participants, finishing the 6-kilometer race in 24:48.

Junior All-American Sara Frederickson (103rd overall) returned from a knee injury to make her first 2005 appearance Saturday with a time of 25:37.

UMD had 488 points overall which placed them No. 17 out of 24 Division II schools at the meet.

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VIKING DEFENSE SHOWS IMPROVEMENT, FINALLY

Associated Press

Blistered for 504 yards and 37 points the week before, Minnesota's revamped defense responded with the kind of performance that the Vikings expect, and need to succeed.

They consistently harassed New Orleans quarterback Aaron Brooks in a 33-16 victory.

"I was pleased with a lot of things," head coach Mike Tice said.

Despite two injured starters, free safety Darren Sharper and linebacker E.J. Henderson, Minnesota looked much more comfortable with defensive coordinator Ted Cottrell's constant blitz scheme.

"Hopefully we can build on what we did," linebacker Keith Newman said.

The Vikings (1-2) put plenty of pressure on Brooks. He completed only 12 of 32 throws, including two interceptions half of New Orleans' four turnovers.

Antione Winfield and Fred Smoot set the tone for Sunday's win by bottling up the Saints' Joe Horn and Donte Stallworth, who combined for one catch and 11 yards.

"With the guys that we have ... there's no reason not to play man-to-man and get after the quarterbacks," Winfield said.

Minnesota has struggled for years to find a reliable defense, and one of the biggest troubles has been a lack of cornerbacks who could cover. After signing Winfield in 2004 and Smoot in 2005, the Vikings appear to have solved this persistent problem.

"We have two great corners," Tice said. "When you have that, you can be a little more risky."

Minnesota's defensive line is questionably as good as it's been in some time, too.

"It gives those defensive backs the opportunity to know that the ball is coming quick," Tice said.

This week should provide a strong test. Not only must the Vikings prepare for Atlanta's Michael Vick, but they've also got several key players hurt. The biggest blow was a season-ending knee injury to Willie Offord, who started on Sunday with Sharper sidelined.

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Bulldogs return home, spirits high

By Eric Walsh
Statesman Staff Reporter

The University of Minnesota Duluth soccer team will open up a five-game home stand Saturday against St. Cloud State at Griggs Field.

"It's exciting to be playing at home now," UMD Head Coach Greg Cane said. "Given

where we are right now, we have a good opportunity to be productive here and build on the good start that we have."

UMD (7-3-0, 2-2 NCC) is coming off a demanding four-game road trip that produced crucial victories over two North Central Conference rivals.

"We have to come out and play our best now if we expect to win," senior forward Sarah Noonan said. "With all those home games, it'll give us a real good chance to make the national tournament."

Saturday's match will mark the second meeting between UMD and SCSU this season. On Sept. 18, in St. Cloud, the Bulldogs found themselves behind 2-1 in the second half before scoring a pair of goals to extend their unbeaten streak against the Huskies to 10 games, dating back to Oct. 27, 1995.

"We just beat St. Cloud at their place, so they're go-

ing to be motivated," Cane said. "They had a lead in that game, and we beat them. So, we could be the type of team that they're targeting on the road. It's a big game for us and a huge step that we can take on the conference ladder."

Up Next:
UMD vs St. Cloud State
Saturday, Oct. 1
1 p.m. at Griggs Field

However, comeback efforts have not carried UMD through its

first 10 games. This season, the Bulldogs have been more dangerous protecting a lead than facing a deficit.

"We are more effective when we score goals early," Noonan said. "We're an emotional team, and we work better with a lead."

And working well together is especially important when the team has only had two home games this season.

"Road games are always hard," senior captain Pam Lensing said. "The advantage is in the favor of the home team, and once they get mo-

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Co-captain Sarah Noonan has five goals and three assists this season.

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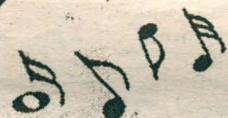
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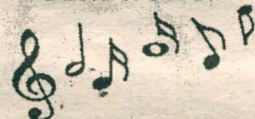
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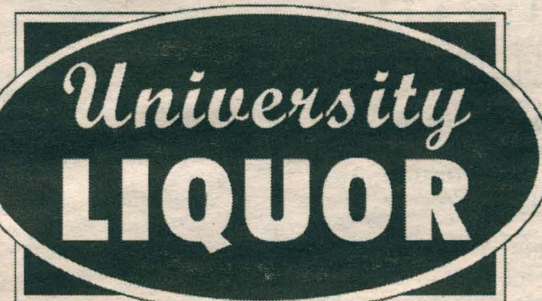
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OLYMPIC HOPEFULS TO PLAY IN DULUTH

*WCHA All-Stars
take on Team USA*

By Patrick Brannan
Statesman Staff Reporter

In 2003, a record-breaking crowd of more than 5,000 filled the Duluth Entertainment and Convention Center (DECC) to watch the Bulldogs beat Harvard for the NCAA Women's Hockey Championship. The event put UMD on the map as a stronghold of women's hockey support.

Because of the support, the DECC will be hosting the Hilton Family Skate to 2006 Tour this Saturday at 7 p.m. The event will be a contest between the Western Collegiate Hockey Association (WCHA) women's All-Stars and women's Team USA. The Tour is preparation for Team USA's upcoming appearance in the XX Winter Olympics in Torino, Italy on Feb. 11-20, 2006.

"UMD has a great track record for hosting and showcasing women's hockey," said UMD Athletic Director Bob Nielson. "The community is wonderful at coming out to support women's hockey in the area."

Mark Johnson, Wisconsin's head coach, will coach the WCHA team. Johnson is looking forward to helping prepare the Olympic team with these games against his WCHA All-Star team.

"The community has always showed great support for their team," said Johnson. "It will be a great evening in Duluth as well as in St. Paul."

"We are expecting a great turnout," said DECC employee Bob Hom. "Tickets for the game have been selling steadily since they went on sale."

According to Nielson, who helped orchestrate the event, USA Hockey was looking for two games to play in Minnesota.

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Braegelmann's presence helps Bulldogs shine, record soar

By Jim Salmela
Statesman Staff Reporter

You don't have to look far to find out why the UMD volleyball team is ranked No. 4 in Division II. In addition to strong team play and great chemistry, sophomore Vicky Braegelmann deserves credit for part of the success.

Braegelmann, an outside hitter, led the team with 19 kills in a victory over Concordia-St. Paul 3-1 (30-17, 30-16, 26-30, 30-18) last Tuesday.

Braegelmann, of Albany, Minn., was named NCC Player of the Week on Sept. 19 after her excellent performance in the Super 8 NCC/NSIC Crossover Tournament on Sept. 9 and 10, but she said that she has her mind on winning.

"Being named player of the week doesn't mean a lot to me," said Braegelmann. "I just come out and play every day and play my best."

Braegelmann leads the team with 246 kills and a .340 hitting percentage.

Against Minnesota State-Mankato on Sept. 24, Braegelmann led the team to a win with 16 kills and four assists. The Bulldogs beat the Mavericks 3-1 (30-17, 30-16, 26-30, 30-18).

Last year, as a freshman, Braegelmann contributed

immediately as she helped the Bulldogs to a 27-5 record. She was also the only freshman to be named to the First Team All-American, the North Central Regional All-Tournament team and the AVCA All-North Central Regional team.

This season, Braegelmann has taken on a larger role.

"She understands she needs to be more of a leader," said Head Coach Jim Boos. "She leads more by example. She is a hard worker; she's in the gym a lot, conditioning and helping her teammates out."

Braegelmann's teammates have also noticed the change in her leadership this season.

"She is more of a vocal leader," said outside hitter Julie Lenci. "She directly impacts our team game in and game out."

UMD isn't the only team that has been focusing more on Braegelmann this season.

"Opponents have been trying to block me," said Braegelmann.

"We expect other teams

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

No.4 UMD: 3

No. 5 Concordia St. Paul: 1

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• Up Next: at St. Cloud State, Oct. 1

to try to stop her," said Boos. "We've seen other teams adjust more to her, so we have to adjust and others have to step up."

The rest of the team has definitely stepped up. Along with Braegelmann, Kari Wolford, Rachel Langseth, Alicia Meger and Lenci have helped the Bulldogs' offensive attack. Each player is averaging two to four kills per game. Katie Gangelhoff has assisted Braegelmann and her teammates for most of those kills, and has racked up 769 assists already this year.

"We hope to get back to the Elite Eight and maybe further," said Braegelmann. "But we have lots of tough opponents and we have to play hard every day."

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Vicky Braegelmann

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The women's volleyball team celebrates during their game against Concordia St. Paul, Tuesday, Sept. 27.